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NEW PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

Elaborate plans for additions to the Executive Building have been called for by the Superintendent of Public Works, and in yesterday's Advertiser the elevations and ground plans were published. The plans call for two wings to the present building. Each wing, it is estimated, will cost \$200,000. The statement is made that provision of room for the Legislature and for the prospective County Government is what is sought.

So far as the Advertiser is informed, there is not sufficient demand to warrant this expenditure at present.

In the near future we shall be provided with a Federal building, which will leave vacant the six large rooms now occupied by the United States Court, District Attorney and Marshal in the court house, the Internal Revenue office in the Executive Building and the entire postoffice.

Our Legislature sits but sixty to ninety days, once in two years. It certainly would seem to be extravagant and unnecessary to spend \$200,000 for a legislative hall, when the present quarters, if not entirely suitable, are ample in size.

There is nothing in the occasional use of the present Representative Hall, for official receptions, which need cause any inconvenience, as there are but few such functions.

The Senate can be given all the necessary additional room required in the Bungalow without materially interfering with the other uses to which it is put, and the present postoffice will provide ample room for county offices for a long time to come.

The two buildings which are needed immediately and imperatively, are, first, a small but absolutely fire proof one, for the court and real estate records, which are now in destructible quarters. These records involve the title to millions of dollars worth of property, and their loss would throw our whole land and probate system into complete confusion.

The second requirement is a new building for the Royal School. Since the old building was demolished as unsafe, the school has been housed in the old wooden shed at Aala Park. It is a standing disgrace to the city.

With these additions, Honolulu can get along very well for the present, without any more government buildings.

CONTROL OF SCHOOLS

Of the many criticisms of the County Law which have been made and which come from Home Rule circles with most freedom, there is none so oft repeated as that against the continued control of the school system in the hands of Territorial officials and under the management of one primary set of officers. Yet it would appear that of all the objections this one is the least important and should appeal least to the thinking man.

It is the boast of Hawaiians that the percentage of illiteracy in our Territory is lower than in the old commonwealths, even those of New England. This has been brought about by a uniformity of school work, by constant attention to lifting the grade of school work and by the most critical following of the methods of the educators of the United States. Is there one of the critics of the proposal to continue this system who will argue that local school boards would maintain this high standard?

The evil which has grown in the school system of the older communities is the growth of giving places in the schools through favoritism rather than for fitness. In the thinly peopled country districts of the United States there is more often considered, the needs of some young woman or her family, than the necessity for the upbuilding of the schools where young citizens are grounded. The system under which has developed the excellent conditions obtaining at the present time is good enough to give promise for the future and should discourage excursions into the realm of experiment.

The offer of Manager Hammerstein of \$2,000 a week for the Saxon Crown Princess and her Giron, is a sure harbinger of coming summer, for it foretells roof garden activity. If they accept the Olympia will be the despair of all the other "vodyvill" resorts of the metropolis.

First, Chinese playing Russian War; second, natives and haoles shaking dice; will the third move of the police be against one of the white men's poker games at -?

If the telephone poles don't come down the spectacle of fallen timber and tangled wires will tell Waikiki people of new wire troubles which will delay their talking to down town.

Suppose the law required Legislative proceedings to be carried on in the Hawaiian language, what chance would English have then?

Grocers usually lead in anti-food adulteration agitation, for a family poisoned by bad food would cease to consume.

PUBLIC UTILITY CORPORATIONS.

One of the most vital subjects to be dealt with by the coming legislature, is that of public corporations who use, or want to use our streets.

The electric light company's franchise expires this spring. It is now paying two and one-half per cent of its gross receipts to the government for the privilege of running its wires through the streets, and for the exclusive privilege of selling electric light. Is this exclusive privilege to be continued? Is the company to be allowed to continue without payment to the government? Are other companies to be allowed to multiply wires on our already crowded streets? If so shall the number be limited, or shall we grant the privilege to every one who asks it?

The same questions apply to telephone companies and to underground gas pipes. All these propositions are coming before the legislature, and decisions must be made and bills passed embodying such decisions within a sixty-day session.

Can any solution be devised and enacted into law with fairness to the public and to the companies interested, if one half of the available time of the legislature is to be taken up in the translation of everything that takes place from Hawaiian into English, and vice versa?

It would take more than a strenuous nephew to cause King Edward to look for trouble with the United States now. Gen. Miles has spent the day with his majesty, presumably wearing full uniform, which means a fair proportion of the gold reserve. The spectacle cannot but inspire the respect of the Britons, who will be given a wider idea of our wealth if not of our discretion.

And even before the County Bill has reached the Legislature the county seat fight is on. Why not solve the Kona-Kau-Kohala situation by building a floating capital which could move in succession from Mahukona to Punaluu.

If the Legislature expects to get through its work arrangements should be made immediately upon assembling for an all night forensic session. If the steam is blown off early perhaps regular working will follow.

Col. George Macfarlane's record of 114 days from home with one full day in San Francisco promises to stand for some time, and well it may for it takes a conjunction of fast vessels to make such a thing possible.

Now that Diamond Head is brought within twenty-eight minutes of Fort street by the trolley, the mules are not the only animals that will get a rest. There's the hack horses!

When a Pain mule attached to a tram got frisky yesterday the passengers concluded it had been close to the bin at the luau celebrating the King street demise.

Chile will always remember to be friends with Uncle Sam, until she can forget her experience of ten years ago.

Honolulu people know a good thing and from Kalihl to Diamond Head for a nickel is in the "easy" class.

The winter storms are making for themselves a place in memory for wrecks dot many coasts.

A TWO LANGUAGE LEGISLATIVE BODY

Honolulu, January 31, 1903.
Editor Advertiser: In spite of your editorial broadside this morning, I am still of the opinion that the use of an interpreter in the legislature is proper. Hawaiians who do not read and write English are especially made eligible to election, and that being the case an interpreter should not be refused in order that they may act intelligently.

Their remarks on any subject should also be interpreted into English in order that all may understand their position and arguments.

Congress made only those capable of speaking, reading and writing English eligible as jurymen, but expressly allowed those who were not capable of doing so to become legislators. If they had not wanted them to be eligible, they would have omitted the words "or Hawaiian."

The question as to what are "proceedings" may be an open one, but in forwarding the proceedings of the late legislature to Washington, the Secretary sent only the copy of the journal, and it was accepted at Washington without demur.

I doubt if the secretary of any Territory forwarded anything else. As Congress has allowed the election of non-English speaking persons, it follows that means should be provided so that they can act intelligently in legislation matters, and impart their opinions and arguments to others. When this is accomplished, all additional interpreting should be omitted to save time. Yours truly, C. H. DICKEY.

Calls It Desecration.

Honolulu, Feb. 1, 1903.
Editor Advertiser: I cannot find words to express my feeling that the plan of Secretary Cooper, to add "wings" (save the mark) to Iolani

Palace, would be only one step short of desecration. The palace, home of King and Queen, is one of the most pictured buildings in the islands. Perhaps not a single tourist who has carried a kodak here or who purchased pictures but took away a view of the palace. And to think of ruining the simple beauty of that structure by adding vulgarly showy wings. The man who conceived the plan may be expected to paint instructions to tourists on Punchbowl, install an elevator at the Pali and put a boiler in the volcano to raise steam cheaply to run a railroad to Kilauea. One excuse for it I could find, if the name of the proponent of the brilliant idea was to be attached to replace the beautiful native name.

As to the necessity for the wings, it does not appear to any one but the people who are at the public crib. The so-called Judiciary building was erected for the purpose of a legislative hall. The Federal offices soon will be out of it, the county will take the tax record and legal offices except the Supreme Court, and no better use possibly could be found than to place the legislature there. The Territory needs not to supply the county with buildings, that is a county function. True the land might be given but what more suitable place could be found for a city hall than the vacant lot at Merchant and Bethel, or even the old postoffice.

If Hawaii is to have a second birth in tourist entertaining then let us preserve good things and old things, and make the new impressive and not patchwork. It would be hard to imagine a more incongruously preposterous suggestion, in my mind, than the hanging of wings onto the big building which attracts the attention of every visitor, when the cost will be as great as to build a new structure increasing the architectural beauties of the city. Preserve our landmarks is my suggestion.

BERETANIA.

ONLY A FEW.

Of the multitudes of people around us very few are really in good health. Most of them are victims to a greater or less extent of some disease. For a time nature holds her own, often with youth and ambition to help her; then the overtaxed organs break down, and the poisonous germs in the blood and tissues get in their deadly work. This may happen suddenly or slowly, but the result is the same. The number of people who are thus afflicted and handicapped is far beyond computation or estimate. In perhaps a majority of these cases the ailment arises from bad digestion, and is thereafter complicated with some form of dyspepsia. The ordinary treatment is seldom or never successful, and medical men now prescribe

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